

Brothers Sweep Junior Market Lamb Championship Honors

BY LISA RISSER
HARRISBURG — The Kuzemchak family had plenty to celebrate Wednesday night with not one, but two winners.

Seventeen-year-old Scott showed the grand champion market lamb, while his younger brother, Joe, exhibited the reserve grand champion.

Scott was presented with a purple and gold banner, which is one of the most coveted sheep awards to be presented at Farm Show. The junior market lamb show took place in the Farm Show complex Wednesday afternoon.

The sons of Richard and Gayle Kuzemchak of Pleasant Gap (Centre), Scott showed a heavy-weight wether and Joe had a light heavyweight. The two spent quite a bit of time looking for their animals with their father, who is a shepherd at Penn State. "We look for appearance, muscling, and type," explained Scott. "The type I like are Suffolks."

Scott's grand champion was a Suffolk as was Joe's. Scott has been exhibiting market lambs at Farm Show for about seven years. He got his first taste of championship in his first year of showing when he had a reserve grand champion. Scott, a student of Bellefonte High School and a 4-H'er, also has had champions and reserve champions at county fairs.

Wednesday was special to Joe, not only for his win, but because he turned 12 that day. Joe has been showing at Farm Show for three

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The winners of the junior breeding lamb showmanship contests are, left to right: Suzanne Dollar of Bedford, Junior Showman; Arlisa Snively of Lancaster, Intermediate Showman; and Craig Fleck of Center Hall, Senior Showman.



Scott Kuzemchak showed the grand champion market lamb, which was a Suffolk. With him are Jennifer Mawhinney, Pennsylvania Lamb and Wool Queen, and Dennis Grumbine, Farm Show commissioner.

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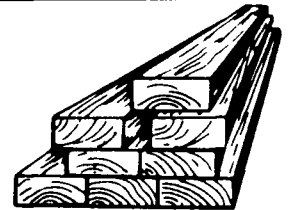
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